

## Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila



## RESOLUTION NO. 1396

Series of 2021

## POSTPONING THE AUGUST 21 & 22, 2021 MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION AND RESCHEDULING THE SAME TO JANUARY 15 & 16, 2022

**WHEREAS,** Section 7 (d) of Republic Act No. 8981 or the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000" empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory boards in accordance with the rules and regulations it may promulgate and to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) scheduling the licensure examinations for calendar year 2021 wherein the Medical Technologists Licensure Examinations (MTLE) are scheduled on January 21 & 22, 2021, March 17 & 18, 2021, and August 21 & 22, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the scheduled MTLE held in January and March 2021 were both successfully conducted in all testing centers nationwide;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. 1256 (s. 2020) classifying the licensure examinations as small, medium, and large-scale examinations depending on the prospective number of examinees, the August 2021 MTLE is classified as a medium-scale licensure examination;

**WHEREAS,** under Resolution No. 1334 (s. 2021), small and medium-scale licensure examinations shall be administered unless the profession's stakeholders, such as Accredited Professional Organization/Accredited Integrated Professional Organization, Academe, and/or sector, recommend its cancellation or postponement as endorsed by the concerned Professional Regulatory Board;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission received a letter from the Professional Regulatory Board of Medical Technology (Board) endorsing the unanimous request of the Philippine Association of Schools of Medical Technology and Public Health, Inc. and the Philippine Association of Medical Technologist, Inc. to postpone the August 2021 MTLE;

WHEREAS, the Board recommends the approval of these requests for the postponement of the August 2021 MTLE due to the continuing and exacerbating onslaught of the COVID-19 pandemic which have resulted to the implementation of varying levels of community quarantine in the entire country that limits the mobility of persons, hinders the public assembly of people, and poses unique challenges to many sectors of the society including the medical technology graduates preparing and set to take their licensure examinations on August 21 &22, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, considering the above reasons, the Board and Licensure Office recommend to the Commission to postpone the said examination in all testing centers nationwide and to reschedule it to January 15 & 16, 2022.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission RESOLVES, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to POSTPONE the conduct of the August 21 and 22, 2021 Medical Technologists Licensure Examination and to RESCHEDULE the same to January 15 and 16, 2022.

Let a copy of this Resolution be posted at the PRC Official website for information.

Done in the City of Manila this **10**<sup>th</sup> day of August 2021.

TEOFILO S. PILANDO, JR.

Chairman

YOLANDA D. REYES Commissioner JOSE Y. CUETO, JR. Commissioner